

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) A device for assisting deployment of an airbag, located at a junction of at least two trim elements of parts of a body of a motor vehicle, wherein a first of the two trim elements is fixed and a second of the two trim elements is configured to be deformed under pressure exerted by the airbag during its deployment, the device including a guide surface oriented from an exit zone of the airbag toward an end part of the second trim element, wherein the end part, which abuts against the guide surface, is located at an external limit of a zone of cooperation between the first and second trim elements, and wherein the guide surface is a part of one of the two trim elements.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) A device for assisting deployment ~~according to claim 7 of~~ an airbag, located at a junction of at least two trim elements of parts of a body of a motor vehicle, wherein a first of the two trim elements is fixed and a second of the two trim elements is configured to be deformed under pressure exerted by the airbag during its deployment, the device including a guide surface oriented from an exit zone of the airbag toward an end part of the second trim element, wherein the end part, which abuts against the guide surface, is located at an external limit of a zone of cooperation between the first and second trim elements, and wherein the junction of the guide surface with the trim element forms a lip for holding the first and second trim elements in closed position relative to one another.

10. (Previously Presented) A device for assisting deployment according to claim 7, wherein the guide surface is a support element of the airbag.

11. (Previously Presented) A device for assisting deployment according to claim 7, wherein the guide surface is part of a body element.

12. (Currently Amended) A device for assisting deployment ~~according to claim 7 of~~ an airbag, located at a junction of at least two trim elements of parts of a body of a motor vehicle, wherein a first of the two trim elements is fixed and a second of the two trim elements is configured to be deformed under pressure exerted by the airbag during its deployment, the device including a guide surface oriented from an exit zone of the airbag toward an end part of the second trim element, wherein the end part, which abuts against the guide surface, is located at an external limit of a zone of cooperation between the first and second trim elements, and wherein the guide surface carries an element for fixation of the first trim element.